

# Wake Robin Farm

Route 1, Box 33  
Home, Pennsylvania  
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## WILD FLOWERS and FERNS

*To brighten a shady nook*

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Prices net, f.o.b., Home, Pennsylvania. If plants are shipped by express, charges collect; if by mail, the postage with remittance is 10% east of the Mississippi; 20% west; minimum 50¢ for postage on orders \$5.00 or less.

Six plants of one kind at the dozen rate.

All plants hardy for all climates.

Two planting seasons: Spring, about March through June; Fall, about September through November. Both good.

This Farm is on U. S. Route 119, 62 miles northeast of Pittsburgh; 8 miles north of Indiana, Pa.

We aim to promote conservation and propagation of wildings. We handle and pack with extreme care, for delivery in perfect condition, but we are not responsible for growth of plants.

## WILD FLOWERS

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**Anemone, Rue** (*Anemonella thalictroides*). White, tiny, 3-6 inches, March-May, semi-shade, banks, open woods. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.

**Arrowhead** (*Sagittaria latifolia*). Bog plant; white flower. Plant in mud; full sun or light shade. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Aster**. White, mauve, purple; field flower, 2 feet; full sun; September-October. 40c each; \$4.00 for 12.

**Baneberry, Red** (*Actæa rubra*). White, April-June; 1½ feet, red berries, August; cool, moist, drained woods. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Baneberry, White** (*Actæa alba*). White flower, April-June; white berry, August; 1½ feet; cool partial shade. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Bellwort; Wood Merrybells** (*Uvularia perfoliata*). Yellow, small, lily-like. Semi-shade, with drainage. 6-12 inches. 40c each; \$4.00 for 12.

**Bergamot, Wild** (*Monarda fistulosa*). White to magenta; 3-4 feet; June to September; dampish soil. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

- Bishop's Cap; Mitrewort** (*Mitella diphylla*). White plume, 8-16 inches high; April and May; rockery. Drained loam. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.
- Black-Eyed Susan** (*Rudbeckia hirta*). Golden yellow petals, deep brown center; open sun; common soil. June, July. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.
- Bleeding Heart, Wild** (*Dicentra eximia*). Deep rose; 1 foot high; May to August. Acid soil, some shade; rockery. 75c each; \$7.50 for 12.
- Bloodroot** (*Sanguinaria canadensis*). Small, pure-white petalled flower, golden center; April. Ordinary soil, some shade; 6-10 inches. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.
- Bluebells, Virginia; Virginia Cowslip** (*Mertensia Virginica*). Sky-blue trumpets on reclining stems, 1-2 feet; May. Partial shade or sunlight. Damp, acid (simply unsweetened) soil. 70c each; \$7.00 for 12.
- Bluet; Quaker Lady; Innocence; Eyebright** (*Houstonia coerulea*). Blue-white, tiny, dense clumps, 3-5 inches. Full sun or partial shade; common soil. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.
- Boneset; Thoroughwort** (*Eupatorium perfoliatum*). Bog plant, white flower, 2-4 feet. Boneset tea for chills. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.
- Bouncing Bet; Soapwort** (*Saponaria officinalis*). Pinky-white flower, languid stem, 1-2 feet. Open sun, partial shade, any soil. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.
- Bunchberry; Dwarf Cornel** (*Cornus canadensis*). Dwarf Dogwood; spreads very slowly by creeping roots. Choosy, but wants acid, damp soil in cool shade. Too slow for ground cover. Small white dogwood flower; red berries in fall. 75c each; \$7.50 for 12.
- Buttercup, Swamp** (*Ranunculus septentrionalis*). Richly yellow, 1-2 feet high, in damp or marshy places. May to August. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.
- Butterflyweed; Pleurisy Root** (*Tuberosa asclepias*). Flaming orange flowers, 1-2 feet, open sunlight, any soil. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.
- Calamus; Sweet Flag** (*Acorus calamus*). Bright green spike leaves, 1-3 feet, small blooms in June-July; wet soil. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.
- Calla, Wild; Water Arum** (*Calla palustris*). Swamp, bog, mud, small. Flowering leaf in June; red berries in August. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.
- Canada Mayflower; Wild Lily of the Valley** (*Maianthemum canadense*). Low, creeping, very small white plumes, May and June; red berries. Ground cover. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.
- Cardinal Flower** (*Lobelia cardinalis*). Blazing red flower; 2-4 feet, July-September. Damp soil. Sun or shade. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.
- Cinquefoil; Five-Finger** (*Potentilla canadensis*). Slow creeper by surface runners. Any soil, full sun. Small yellow flowers. 35c each; \$3.50 for 12.
- Clintonia** (*Clintonia umbellulata*). Creamy white flower plume; spreading, shiny green leaves; berries steely blue in August. About 6-8 inches high. 65c each; \$6.50 for 12.



- Columbine, Wild** (*Aquilegia canadensis*). Rockery plant, red, tinged with yellow, 10-20 inches, drought resistant; well-drained, average soil. 65c each; \$6.50 for 12.
- Crinkleroot; Two-Leaved Toothwort** (*Dentaria diphylla*). Small white flower in terminal cluster, low-growing, April, May. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.
- Dutchman's Breeches** (*Dicentra cucullaria*). Tiny white pantlets, upsidedown on stem, about 8 inches high. Moist shade; woods loam, or sandy, acid soil. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.
- Firepink; Catchfly** (*Silene virginica*). Brilliant crimson, June to August; drought tolerant; likes poor, shaly ground, ideal for rockery. 75c each; \$7.50 for 12.
- Foam Flower; False Mitrewort** (*Tiarella cordifolia*). Fluffy white flower heads in May and June, 6-10 inches high. Large evergreen leaves and runners. Moist, shady, rocky places. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.
- Gentian, Closed; Bottle Gentian** (*Gentiana Andrewsii*). Rich-blue flowers clustered on top of stems 1-2 feet high. Blooms September, October. Cool, moist shade. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.
- Geranium, Wild; Wild Cranesbill** (*Geranium maculatum*). Blooms May-August, 1-2 feet high, open shade. Pink-lavender. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.
- Gill-over-the-Ground; Ground Ivy** (*Nepeta hederacea*). Fast creeping ground cover. Little blue blossoms all summer. Grows anywhere; best in full sunlight. 60c each (clump); \$6.00 for 12.
- Ginger, Wild** (*Asarum canadense*). Spicy ginger roots; showy leaves 4-6 inches; blossom cup hides in loam; moist ground in shade. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.
- Greek Valerian** (*Polemonium reptans*). Light blue flowers clustered a foot high, April, May. Striking ladder-type foliage. Wants shade, dampish earth. 65c each; \$6.50 for 12.
- Hawkweed; Rattlesnake Weed; Poor Robin's Plantain** (*Hieracium venosum*). Brightly veined leaves flat on ground; flowers yellow in June, on slender stems to a foot high; in average soil, dry woods, open places. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.
- Hepatica, Round-Lobed; Liverwort; Liver Leaf** (*Hepatica triloba*). Early flower, many shades of blue to whitish, March to May. Adapts to indoors, rockery; partial shade, acid loam. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.
- Iris, Wild Blue; Large Blue Flag; Fleur de Lis** (*Iris versicolor*). Wet soil, bog, pool. Purple. June, 1-2 feet. Spreads; open sun. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.
- Jack-in-the-Pulpit; Indian Turnip** (*Arisæma triphyllum*). A green, hooded flower, about a foot high; bright red berries in fall. Damp soil and shade. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.

**Joe Pye Weed; Trumpet Weed; Queen of the Meadow** (*Eupatorium purpureum*). Tall, 4-8 feet, for atmosphere, background. Damp soil. Large cluster of lavender flowers, July - September. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.

**Lady's Slipper, Pink; Mocassin Flower** (*Cypripedium acaule*). Pink shoe rises a foot above broad base leaves. Well-drained acid loam, rotted wood, for facing down or underplanting, large shrubs; rockery. \$1.00 each; \$10.00 for 12.

**Lady's Slipper, Showy** (*Cypripedium spectabile*; *C. regina*; *C. hirsutum*). Frosty white flower, stained magenta; June; downy stem, a foot high. Wet, but drained soil, slightly acid. Bright shade. Protect from sun and wind. \$1.05 each; \$10.50 for 12.

**Lady's Slipper, Yellow** (*Cypripedium pubescens*) Butter-yellow. May and June; a foot high. Drained average soil, with shade. \$1.05 each; \$10.50 for 12.

**Lily, Turkscap** (*Lilium superbum*). Orange-red flowers, 5-7 feet; June-August. Damp soil, open sunlight. 80c each; \$8.00 for 12.

**Lobelia, Blue; Great Lobelia** (*Lobelia syphilitica*). Multiple flowers on spike stem, 1-3 feet high. Moist ground. Sun or light shade. July-September. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Marsh Marigold; Mary-Bud** (*Caltha palustris*). Golden yellow flowers, April and May; 6-12 inches; resembles cowslip and buttercup. Wet soil. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.

**May Apple; Mandrake; Umbrella Leaf; Wild Lemon** (*Podophyllum peltatum*). Knee-high spreading leaves over waxy white flowers — in May, of course. Any shady spot. 40c each; \$4.00 for 12.

**Meadow Rue, Tall** (*Thalictrum polygamum*). Plumy clusters of white flowers, spreading branches, 2-4 feet high. Damp soil, light shade to open sun. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.

**Myrtle** (*Vinca minor*). Ground cover; blue flowers; plant in 1-foot squares; likes a little shade; grows readily in any soil. 60c each (clump); \$6.00 for 12.

**Oswego Tea; Bee Balm** (*Monarda didyma*). Red flower on stem 2-3 feet tall. Fragrant, spreads by root runners, in moist ground; July to September; border shade. 75c each; \$7.50 for 12.

**Partridgeberry; Twinberry** (*Mitchella repens*). Evergreen creeper; small, fragrant, white blooms in June; bright red berries in autumn. Damp shade, drained, acid. 70c each (clump); \$7.00 for 12.

**Phlox, Wild Blue** (*Phlox divaricata*). Evergreen. Blue flowers, April, May; grows 6-12 inches in open shade. Multiple stems; for rock garden; average soil, damp, and drained. 70c each; \$7.00 for 12.

**Phlox, Wild Pink** (*Phlox ovata*). Rose-pink flowers on stalks 4-7 inches high, in May. Rooting stems and spreading foliage form gorgeous ground cover, evergreen too. Light shade. 70c each; \$7.00 for 12.

**Shooting Star; American Cowslip** (*Dodecatheon meadia*). Blossoms rose-pink, clustered on 8-inch stem, over basal leaves, May and June. Grows in any soil, open shade. 65c each; \$6.50 for 12.

**Skull Cap** (*Scutellaria serrata*). Little blue flowers, something like snapdragons, on branching stems 2 feet high. Seeds itself readily; grows in any open place, ordinary soil. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Snakeroot, Black; Black Cohosh; Bugbane** (*Cimicifuga racemosa*). Very showy plant, 2-3 feet; white flower plumes, purple berries in fall. Damp woods, drained soil. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Snakeroot, White** (*Eupatorium urticaefolium*). Downy clusters of white flowers, 1-3 feet high. Woods plant, suits a shady garden; blooms August-September. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Solomon's Seal, False** (*Smilacina racemosa*). White flower plume at end of single, arching stem, 12-18 inches long. Blooms in May and June; ruby red berries. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Solomon's Seal, True** (*Polygonatum biflorum*). Small greenish flowers hang in a row of pairs under arching stalks, a foot long, forming steel-blue berries in fall. Rockery; semi-shade; well-drained to dry soil. 65c each; \$6.50 for 12.

**Spring Beauty** (*Claytonia virginica*). Rosy-white flowers on numerous drooping stems from a tiny pellet bulb. Blooms very early, even in March, and into May. Moist ground, under trees or in open. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.

**Strawberry, Wild** (*Fragaria virginiana*). White flowers, April to June, followed by real strawberries. Any soil in open sun. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.

**Trillium, Painted** (*Trillium undulatum*). White flower streaked with crimson, red berries in fall, 6 inches. Cool, damp shade. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Trillium, Red; Wake Robin** (*Trillium erectum*). This Farm took its name from its native Red Trilliums. Flower is maroon; grows to 15 inches. Fairly deep shade; well-drained acid soil. Blooms April to June. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.



**Trillium, Stemless** (*Trillium sessile*). Stemless red flower, sitting on mottled, stemless leaves, gives a chubby dwarfish effect. Bloom April and May. Easy to grow in common soil, well-drained, moderate shade. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Trillium, White; Large-Flowering Trillium** (*Trillium grandiflorum*). Waxy white flowers, very showy in groups, 8-12 inches above ground; blooms April and May, turns pink as it fades. Average soil, moist; drained, lightly shaded, easily established. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Trillium, Yellow** (*Trillium luteum*). With a light yellow flower, similar in form and size to the Stemless, and likes the same good shade, acid soil and drainage. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Turtle Head** (*Chelone glabra*). Flowers are smooth, white globes with rosy tint, clustered on a spike, July to September. Bog plant, adapting to any damp soil, 2 feet high. 75c each; \$7.50 for 12.

**Vervain, Blue; Simpler's Joy** (*Verbena hastata*). Bluish-purple flower spray, July-September, 3-5 feet. Damp open ground or light shade. 65c each; \$6.50 for 12.

**Violet, Blue** (*Viola papilionacea*). The common blue violet, in case you don't have it. Spreads, permits plucking, tolerant of soil and light, prefers dampness. Low-growing, domestic, yet an ancient favorite of royalty. 55c each; \$5.50 for 12.

**Violet, Dog** (*Viola conspersa*). Compact cluster of heart-shaped leaves, and abundant light-blue flowers. April and May. Requires shade. 65c each; \$6.50 for 12.

**Violet, Smooth Yellow** (*Viola scabriuscula*). Golden yellow, on rangey, smooth stems, blooms April-May. Moist loam, open shade preferred; adaptable. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Violet, Long-Spurred** (*Viola rostrata*). Extremely dainty, pointed spur; multiple blue flowers in bouquet effect; May. Open shade; drained, loose loam. 75c each; \$7.50 for 12.

**Violet, White Striped** (*Viola striata*). A larger violet, creamy-white, lower petal purple-veined, on long stalks. Evergreen. Prolific, April to June. Very adaptable to all conditions; moist shade best. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Water Lily, White** (*Nymphaea odorata*). Flower large, sweet, creamy white. Plant in rich soil in container under 12 inches or so of water. Blooms July-August. 80c each; \$8.00 for 12.

**Wintergreen; Teaberry; Mountain Tea** (*Gaultheria procumbens*). Aromatic, evergreen, ground-cover; root-runners. Shiny dark green leaves; small waxy-white flowers July-August; tasty red berries in fall. Loamy soil, light shade. 75c each; \$7.50 for 12.

# FERNS

(Six plants of one kind at dozen rate)

**Beech Fern, Broad** (*Phegopteris hexagonoptera*). Triangular frond on stem, 4-8 inches high. Shallow planting in average soil, fairly deep shade. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Brittle Fern** (*Cystopteris fragilis*). Little fellow, produces fronds, 4-8 inches, early spring to fall. Bright green; shallow rooting, damp soil, shaded rockery. Very adaptable. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.

**Christmas Fern** (*Polystichum acrostichoides*). Shiny, evergreen fronds, 8-20 inches, with dagger-shaped pinnæ in ladder effect. Prefers rich, deep soil, good shade, well drained; adapts to varied conditions. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Common Woodfern; Evergreen Lace Fern** (*Thelypteris intermedia*). Finely cut, lacy fronds, 1-2 feet long, to front down larger ornamentals, for rockery and adapts to many conditions; requires only shade. 75c each; \$7.50 for 12.

**Hay-Scented Fern** (*Dennstedtia punctilobula*). Feathery, light green, 1-2 feet, root runners. Open shade, clearings; any drained soil. 65c each; \$6.50 for 12.

**Interrupted Fern** (*Osmunda claytoniana*). Graceful spray of fronds, 2-3 feet long; rockery, foundation, specimen planting; very drought resistant; some shade during day; widely adaptable. 75c each; \$7.50 for 12.

**Leather Woodfern; Marginal Woodfern** (*Thelypteris marginalis*). Evergreen leaflets or pinnæ have wrinkled leathery texture; prefers deep shade, average woods soil; 2 feet high. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Maidenhair Fern** (*Adiantum pedatum*). Tressy-soft spreading frond umbrellas atop a very slender, polished, mahogany stem, 10-15 inches high. Porch, foundation, shrubbery planting; ordinary soil; very adaptable; ample shade. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**New York Fern** (*Thelypteris noveboracensis*). 8-15 inches. Cool shade; creeping roots produce multiple fronds; any good soil. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.

**Sensitive Fern** (*Onoclea sensibilis*). Lush, succulent, primitive fronds. Erect fruiting stalk turns brown, remains all winter, 8-16 inches; moist, open ground. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

**Spleenwort, Ebony** (*Asplenium platyneuron*). Sprightly miniature fern, 4-8 inches, rigid, evergreen fronds. Loves stony, shaly, gravelly banks, edges, rockery perches, clefts, and border shade. Frond stems a glossy, ebony brown. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.

**Spleenwort, Maidenhair** (*Asplenium trichomanes*). Evergreen, about 6 inches; tiny, but distinctive and lovable. Likes stony soil, but adapts to all conditions, requiring only shade. 50c each; \$5.00 for 12.

**Spleenwort, Silvery** (*Asplenium acrostichoides*). Silvery sheen on backs of bright-green fronds, 1-2 feet tall. Needs damp, shaded places, average soil. 60c each; \$6.00 for 12.

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